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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST
GEORGE LARDNER JR., REPORTS THAT FORMER WHITE HOUSE AIDE TOM
HUSTON SAID YESTERDAY THAT PRESIDENT NIXON WAS APPARENTLY
UNAWARE THAT SOME OF THE ILLEGAL AND IMPROPER DOMESTIC ACTIV—
ITIES HE WAS ASKED TO APPROVE IN 1970 HAD HEEN GOING ON FOR
YEARS IN THE CIA AND THE FBI. TESTIFYING BEFORE THE SENATE
INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE, HUSTON SAID HE, TOO, HAD BEEN IGNORANT
OF SUCH OPERSTIONS AS THE CIA'S ILLEGAL MAIL INTERCEPTS WHEN
HE RECOMMENDED THEM TO NIXON AS PART OF A STEPPED—UP CAMPAIGN
OF SPYING ON DISSIDENTS. CHAIRMAN FRANK CHURCH SAID THE
EPISODE SHOWED CLEARLY THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S INTELLIGENCE
AGENCIES HAVE OPERATED AS "INDEPENDENT FIEFDOMS" THAT TELL
NEITHER THE PRESTOENT NOR FACH OTHER OF THEIR ILLICIT OPERA—
TIONS. (A-1)

REQUESTS FOR FULL PURLIC DISCLOSURE OF ALL SECRET COMMITMENTS.
TO ISRAEL AND EGYPT UNDER THE SINAI AGREEMENT CAME FROM THREE SENATORS, AS THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE PREPARED TO START CONSTORING THE AGREEMENT IN CLOSED SESSION TODAY. THE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE HELD ANOTHER CLOSED HEARING ON THE AGREEMENT YESTERDAY AND POSTPONED ANY ACTION UNTIL THURSDAY AT THE EARLIEST. (A-2)

A SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE APPROVED A THU-YEAR, 839 BILLION AUTHORIZATION FOR ECONOMIC AND HUMANITARIAN FOREIGN AID, THE BILL DOES NOT INCLUDE MILITARY AID OR ASSISTANCE FOR MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES? ADMINISTRATION BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR

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THESE ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS LATER. (A-2)

FOREIGN REACTION TO MONDAY'S ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT FORD WAS SHARPEST IN JAPAN, WHERE IT AROUSED FEARS FOR THE SAFETY OF THE EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OURING THEIR OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE U.S. THAT IS TO BEGIN NEXT TUESDAY. FLSEWHERE, RE-ACTIONS WERE SHAPED BY IDEOLOGY AND BY TIME DIFFERENCES. (A-13)

A POST EDITORIAL SAYS THE NEW U.S. INITIATIVE ON KORFA IS SENSIBLE AND SHOULD HELP CLARIFY THE ISSUE ON THE STILL-TENSE AND CONTESTED KOREAN PENINSULA, EVEN IF THE ISSUE STAYS UNRESOLVED FOR A LONG TIME. THE ISSUE IS THAT THOUGH SOUTH KOREA IS PREPARED TO FORMALIZE KORFA'S DIVISION AND ESTABLISH COEX. ISTENCE ON THE GERMAN MODEL, NORTH KOREA REMAINS COMMITTED TO REUNIFYING THE COUNTRY ON ITS OWN COMMUNIST TERMS. THE AMER-ICAN INITIATIVE, SET OUT BY YOU AT THE UN, CALLS FOR BEGINNING A PROCESS AIMED AT THE INFORMAL ACCEPTANCE AND SUBSEQUENTLY AT THE FORMAL NEGOTIATION OF A PERMANENT TWO-KORFA SETTLEMENT TO REPLACE THE ARMISTICE OF 1953. NOT JUST THE U.S. AND CHINA, BOTH PARTIES TO THE ARMISTICE, BUT ALSO RUSSIA AND JAPAN HOULD JOIN THE PROCESS. PLAINLY, THIS IS THE ONLY CONCEIVABLE ROAD TO AM EVENTUAL PEACEBLE SETTLEMENT. (A=14)

MARILYN BERGER WRITES THAT THE SOVIET UNION YESTERDAY PROPOSED. AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT BANNING THE DEVELOPMENT AND MANU-FACTURE OF NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND CALLED FOR A TREATY TO BAN ALL NUCLEAR TESTS. IN A STATEMENT TO THE UNGA. SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREI GROMYKO REMAINED PAITHFUL TO WHAT HAS BECOME SOMETHING OF A SOVIET TRADITION TO INTRODUCE AT LEAST ONE DISARMAMENT PROPOSAL. THE ANNUAL EFFORT AT THE UN TO APPEAR TO BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF HORLO DISARMAMENT IS BEEN BY WESTERNERS HERE AS A PROPAGANDA PLOY. GROMYKO'S SPEECH WAS STHODED WITH ACERBIC BARBS AT THE U.S., AND EVEN AT YOU. "THE MAIN QUESTIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST," GRUMYKO SAID, MARE STILL AWAITING THEIR SOLUTION." RENEWING HIS CALL FOR RECON-VENING THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE, GROMYKO DELIVERED A DIG AT YOUR SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY, DERIDING "AN APPROACH BASED ON MOMENTARY CONSIDERATIONS AND PUBLICITY. " BUT GROWYKO, TO THE RELIEF OF SOME AMERICAN OFFICIALS, DID NOT EVEN MENTION THE U.S. CIVILIANS WHO WILL MAN EARLY-WARNING STATTONS IN THE SINAT PENINSULA AS PART OF THE RECENT EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI AGREEMENT. (A-17)

IN A 15-MINUTE DAWN CEREMONY ENDING A FINAL SESSION THAT LASTED NEARLY 18 HOURS, EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI MILITARY NEGOTIATORS COMPLETED AN AGREEMENT REPORTEDLY SPECIFYING THAT 3,000 BEDOUINS WILL BE ALLOWED TO CIRCULATE FREELY IN THE SINAI DESERT BUFFER ZONE AND THAT 700 EGYPTIAN POLICEMEN WILL GUARD THE ABU RUDEIS OIL FIELDS. THE THIRD POINT -- THE ISSUE OF

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ISRAELIS SIGNATURE ON THE AGREEMENT -- WAS ALSO SETTLED WITH A COMPROMISE. EGYPT SIGNED THE PROTOCOLS, WHILE ISRAEL INITIALED THEM TO SIGNIFY THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS WERE ENDED AND THAT THE TEXT WAS AGREED UPON. BUT ISRAEL IS DEFERRING FULL SIGNATURE, WITHOUT WHICH THE PACT DOES NOT TAKE EFFECT, UNTIL AFTER THE U.S. CONGRESS VOTES TO AUTHORIZE THE STATIONING OF AMERICAN CIVILIAN TECHNICIANS AT EARLY-WARNING POSTS IN THE SINAI MOUNTAIN PASSES. (A-18)

CHAD REBELS YESTERDAY SPARFO THE LIFE OF FRENCH ARCHEOLOGIST FRANCOISE CLAUSTRE, WHO WAS SCHEDULED TO BE EXECUTED UNLESS FRANCE SUPPLIED A \$2.2 MILLION RANSOM IN CASH AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT. A SPOKESMAN FOR PRESIDENT VALERY GISCARD D'ESTAING SAID IN PARIS THO HOURS AFTER THE 18 A.M. DEADLINE THAT CLAUSTRE, TAKEN PRISONER BY TOUBOU TRIBESMEN 17 MONTHS AGO, MAD BEEN GIVEN A STAY OF EXECUTION PENDING COUNTINUED NEGOTIATIONS OVER RANSOM DEMANDS TO BE HELD LATER THIS WEEK. (A-20)

THE COMMUNISTS, THE RIGHT-WING CONSERVATIVES AND THE MIDDLE+
OF-THE-ROAD CENTER PARTY ALL GAINED SEATS AND THE RULING LEFTWING SOCIAL DEMOCRATS LOST TWO SEATS IN FINNTSH PARLIAMENTARY
ELECTIONS COMPLETED YESTERDAY, (A-20)

HUNDREDS OF LEFT-WING PANAMANIAN STUDENTS, DEMONSTRATING AGAINST U.S. MILITARY BASES IN THE CANAL ZONE, ATTACKED THE U.S. EMBASSY IN PANAMA CITY YESTERDAY WITH ROCKS, RED PAINT, AND MOLDTOV COCKTAILS. THE EMBASSY PROMPTLY DRAFTED WHAT ONE OFFICIAL CALLED "A STRONG NOTE" OF PROTEST TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. ALLEGING THAT NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS ON THE SCENE MESITATED REFORE INTERVENING AND DISPERSING THE MOR WITH TEAR GAS. (A-22)

JACK ANDERSON SAYS HIS INVESTIGATION OF THE SECRET USE OF POISONS BY THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY HAS TURNED UP A BIZARRE PLOT TO POISON THE NORTH KOREAN GENERAL STAFF DURING THE KOREAN WAR. THE PLOT WAS CONCOCTED IN THE EARLY 1950IS, WHEN AMERICAN SOLDIERS WERE DYING IN KOREA. ITS ORIGINATOR, MAJOR WILLIAM BURKE, NOW A MAJOR GENERAL, WAS CHIEF OF GUERRILLA ACTIVITY AT "LEOPARD BASE," A HIDEAWAY HEADQUARTERS ON PAEN-GNYONG-DO ISLAND. THE REQUEST WAS REJECTED. APPARENTLY, NO EFFECTIVE, UNDETECTABLE POISONS WERE AVAILABLE. THE U.S. COMMAND ALSO FEARED POISON REPRISALS AGAINST ITS OFFICERS AND HOWLS FROM MOSCOW OVER THE SUDDEN DEMISE OF SOVIET ADVISERS. (F-11)

THE NEW YORK TIMES

JOHN DAKES REPORTS THAT THE SHAH OF IRAN REVEALED A NEW PLAN

FOR THE OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL FUND

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FOR THE LEAST-DEVELOPED NATIONS. IN AN INTERVIEW IN TEHERAN HE SAID IT WOULD BE PRESENTED TODAY AT THE VIENNA MEETING OF OPEC. A FIVE-YEAR ASSESSMENT ON EACH BARREL OF OIL WOULD GO INTO A LOW-INTEREST LOAN FUND FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN DE-VELOPING COUNTRIES.

ACCORDING TO PAUL HOFFMAN, ANDREI A. GROMYKO TOLD THE UNGATHAT THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE WAS THE "APPROPRIATE MECHANISM FOR DEALING WITH MIDDLE FAST PROBLEMS." HE MENTIONED NEITHER THE EGYPTIAH-ISRAELI AGREEMENT FOR A STNAT DISENGAGEMENT NOR YOUR PROPOSAL MONDAY FOR AN INFORMAL MEETING OF KEY STATES ON THE MIDDLE EAST. (39)

JAMES M. MARKHAM ASSESSES THE LEBANESE SITUATION AND NOTES THAT THE WORD "PARTITION" HAS BECOME PART OF AN ENVENOMED DEBATE ON THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY. AND AS IN THE CASE OF CYPRUS, THE POSSIBILITY OF A WIDENING OF THE CONFLICT TO NEIGHBORING STATES -- IN HIS CASE, SYRTA AND ISRAEL -- IS DISTRESSING A NUMBER OF CAPITALS. (3)

YOUR REMARKS PREPARED FOR DELIVERY AT A DINNER FOR THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY IN WHICH YOU SAID THAT "THE U.S. SEEKS NEITHER MILITARY ALLIES NOR IDEOLOGICAL CONFRONTATION IN AFRICA." ARE SUMMARIZED ON PAGE 3.

ACCORDING TO REUTER ERITPEA IS A PROBLEM FOR WHICH THERE IS NO MILITARY SOLUTION, THE GUERRILLAS CANNOT DRIVE THE ARMY FROM THE TOWNS WHILE THE ARMY CANNOT DENY THE REBELS FREEDOM TO MOVE ALMOST AT WILL THROUGH THE COUNTRYSIDE AND TO STRIKE INTO THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL. (6)

BERNARD GWERTZMAN WRITES THAT IMPORTANT PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE IN THE DRAWN-OUT NEGOTIATIONS FOR A NEW AGREEMENT ALLOW-ING AMERICAN MILITARY FORCES TO OPERATE FROM SPANISH BASES. YOU ARE REPORTEDLY EXAMINING A POSSIBLE INCREASE IN MILITARY CREDITS TO BE OFFERED TO SPAIN AND ARE READY TO PUT APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE INTO THE NEW ACCORD THAT WOULD DEMONSTRATE CLOSER TIES TO SPAIN. (7)

COMMENTS BY THE SHAH ON IRAN'S POLICIES AND PLANS ARE QUOTED ON PAGE 8.

CHRISTOPHER S. WREN, ASSESSING THE FINNISH ELECTIONS, CONCLUDES THAT FINNS ARE FACING THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THEY MAY NOT HAVE A NEW GOVERNMENT UNTIL EARLY NEXT YEAR. FOR THE PRESENT, THE CARETAKER GOVERNMENT OF CIVIL SERVANTS HEADED BY PREMIER KEIJO LIINAMAA IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE AND TO INSTITUTE SOME POLITICALLY UNPOPULAR REMEDIES FOR FINLANDIS PROBLEMS. (9)

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DAVID BINDER REVIEWS THE PANAMANTAN OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH SAYS THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF POINTS OF AGREEMENT BUT THAT IT THAS EMPHATICALLY REJECTED A U.S. PROPOSAL THAT AMERICAN FORCES CONTINUE TO DEFEND THE WATERWAY FOR AN "INDEFINITE TIME." BUT YOUR STATEMENT ON MAINTAINING THE U.S. RIGHT OF DEFENSE OF THE CANAL FOR THE TLONG FUTURE!" APPARENTLY INFLAMED TEMPERS IN PANAMA. (11)

EXCERPTS FROM GROMYKO'S SPEECH AT THE UNGA APPPAR ON PAGE 14.

KATHLEEN TELTSCH REVIEWS GROMYKO'S PROPOSAL FOR AN AGREEMENT NOT TO DEVELOP OR MANUFACTURE NEW SYSTEMS OF WEAPONS. WHAT KIND OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION THE SUVIET UNION HAD IN MIND STILL WAS NOT CLEAR TO WESTERN EXPERTS. (15)

THE BALTIMORE SUN MICHAEL PARKS REPORTS MINISTERS OF THE 13 MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE OPEC MEET IN VIENNA TODAY TO RAISE THE PRICE OF OIL, AN INCREASE APPEARS TO HE A FOREGONE CONCLUSION, BUT THE AMOUNT IS STILL BEING SHARPLY DEBATED. (2)

EDWARD K. WU SAYS SIND-SOVIET RIVALRY IN POSTWAR INDOCHINA AND CHINA'S CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARD PEACETIME RECONSTRUCTION IN VIET-NAM ARE DOMINATING THE CURRENT TOP-LEVEL TALKS IN PEKING BETWEEN THE CHINESE AND VIETNAMESE LEADERS OCCASIONED BY THE HIGHLY PUBLICIZED VISIT OF LE DUAN, THE FIRST SECRETARY OF THE VIETNAM HORKERS PARTY. THE CHINESE LEADERS, WHILE LISTENING SYMPATHETICALLY TO THEIR ALLYIS PLEA, ARE TRYING TO CHECK EXPANDING SOVIET INFLUENCE IN VIETNAM BY WARNING THEIR GUEST AGAINST THE DANGER OF "SUPERPOWER HEGEMONISM," (A-4)

IN AN FOITORIAL, THE SUN CONTENDS YOU OFFERED SERIOUS PRO-POSALS ON SOME OF THE WORLD'S PRESSING PROBLEMS IN YOUR AD-DRESS MONDAY TO THE BUTH SESSION OF THE UNGA. NOTHING YOU SAID REACHED THE MONUMENTALITY OR BREAKTHROUGH YOU ACHIEVED IN YOUR ADDRESS SEPTEMBER 1 TO THE SPECIAL SESSION ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE RICH NATIONS AND POOR. YOU KEPT UP THE POSITIVE PRESSURE IN THE SENSE OF CONSTRUCTIVE DIALDGUE RATHER THAN CONFRONTATIONAL DEBATE. WHERE THE SEP-TEMBER 1 ADDRESS LOOKED AHEAD TO INSTITUTIONAL CHANGES TO DEAL WITH EMERGING PROBLEMS, THE SEPTEMBER 22 SPEECH LESS GLAMORNUSLY TOOK UP OLDER PROBLEMS NOT YET SOLVED. YOUR PRO-POSALS SPRING FROM A RECOGNITION OF THE BETS THE U.S. CAN DO. GIVEN ITS MINORITY POSITION IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THAT IS TO OFFER LEADERSHIP IN THE SOLUTION OF UNIVERSALLY RECOGNIZED PROBLEMS, AND NOT MERE OPPOSITION IN MEANINGLESS DEHATE, (A-16) 2043

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